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SUBJ: PRESIDENT DAOUD INTERVIEWED BY TURKISH CORRESPONDENT

REF: A) KABUL 6239 B) KABUL 6325 C) STATE 231045

1. OCTOBER 1 KABUL TIMES CARRIES ENGLISH TRANSLATION
OF INTERVIEW OF PRESIDENT DAOUD BY CORRESPONDENT
NAJDET BURKENT OF TURKISH DAILY "TERCUMAN". DATE OF
INTERVIEW NOT GIVEN. TURKISH EMBASSY SOURCES HERE
INDICATE THAT INTERVIEW TOOK PLACE APPROXIMATELY 3
WEEKS AGO WHICH WOULD PRECEDE JAPANESE INTERVIEW
REPORTED REF A AND B.

2. IN RAMBLING QUESTION, TWICE THE LENGTH OF
RESPONSE, CORRESPONDENT ASKED PRESIDENT DAOUD ABOUT
VIEWS ON ASIAN COLLECTIVE SECURITY, REFERRING TO
SOVIET CALL FOR A DECLARATION OF ASIA MODELLED ON
HELSINKI DECLARATION. DAOUD REPLIED: "...IF
THE ASIAN NATIONS ONE DAY COLLECTIVELY ARRIVE
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AT THE CONCLUSION THAT SUCH A DECLARATION WOULD

GUARANTEE THEIR FUTURE I CERTAINLY SEEK NO BETTER THING THAN THAT".

3. COMMENT: DAOUD'S RESPONSE ON ASIAN COLLECTIVE SECURITY SYSTEM IS MORE IN LINE WITH PAST GOA PRONOUNCEMENTS THAN WITH UNEDITED VERSION OF REMARKS TO JAPANESE CORRESPONDENT (REF A). GIVEN SOFTENED VERSION THAT APPEARED IN OFFICIAL TEXT, (REF B) AND TURKISH INTERVIEW, IT APPEARS THAT GOA POSITION HAS NOT CHANGED: THAT IS, VAGUE APPROVING NOISES WITH NO SUBSTANTIVE ENDORSEMENT OR COMMITMENT TO THE IDEA.

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